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Federal Motor Carrier  
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Callie Hoyt, Senior Vice President  
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Dear Callie,

Passenger bus operators are uniquely positioned to observe and respond to potential indicators of human trafficking, making your role in prevention and awareness critically important. Your recent participation in our awareness videos highlights how the motorcoach industry contributes to safeguarding passengers and communities.

Thank you for partnering with FMCSA on this initiative. By lending your voice to the effort, you reinforced the importance of industry engagement and demonstrated how shared responsibility across the transportation industry strengthens our collective response to human trafficking. The final videos, along with other shareable resources on human trafficking prevention, can be found on [our website](#).

We are particularly appreciative of how quickly you stepped forward to support the recording of these videos and want to especially thank DC Trails and their driver, Harold Thomas. Their prompt participation and Harold's professionalism helped ensure the videos were delivered clearly and efficiently.

We look forward to continuing our collaboration in support of roadway safety and human trafficking prevention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Derek D. Barrs".

Derek D. Barrs  
Administrator